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VIA USPS November 4, 2020

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Application to Darien Planning and Zoning for Site Plan and Special Permit for the Re: property known as Spring Grove Cemetery located at 41 Hecker Ave.

To Whom it May Concern:

Our office represents Spring Grove Cemetery. We have applied to the Darien Planning and Zoning Commission for a special permit and site plan approval to allow the construction of 4 columbariums on the cemetery property.

Enclosed for your review is a copy of the Summary of the proposal from the application that was submitted. Also enclosed is a copy of the legal notice issued by the Town of Darien. A public hearing for this matter has been scheduled for 8:00 pm in the Darien Town Hall, on November 24, 2020 via GoToMeeting. A login number for GoToMeeting will be provided a few days prior to the meeting via the Town of Darien website.

Complete application materials are available for inspection at the Darien Planning and Zoning office. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me. My telephone number is 203 966 1492.

Very truly yours,

Michael P. Murray, Esq.

Re: Application of Spring Grove Cemetery Association for Special Permit

Description of Proposal:

The Applicant proposes to construct 4 columbariums on site, each containing 144 urn spaces. The Darien Zoning Regulations were amended in January 2019 to specifically allow the requested columbarium use subject to a Special Permit. Architectural Review Board approval for this proposal was granted on June 1, 2020 and a copy of the same is attached.

Each columbarium will be 7'10" in diameter and 8'4" high. The columbarium will be supported by a concrete pier foundation and will be placed on the existing Spring Grove

Cemetery property in the mausoleum section. Each of the 4 columbariums will be connected through a new walkway area as depicted on the site plan. 2 stone benches will line the perimeter of each columbarium, for a total of 8 new benches on the site. New shrubbery and new lawn area will be created along the new walkway and within the columbarium site.

Although 4 columbariums are proposed, only 1 will be built to start. The applicant does not anticipate that the columbarium will create any additional traffic or parking demands as the proposed location was chosen in light of traffic patterns for funeral processions.

LEGAL NOTICE

The Darien Planning and Zoning Commission will hold a PUBLIC HEARING on Tuesday, November 24, 2020 at 8:00 P.M. in Room 206 of Darien Town Hall at 2 Renshaw Road, Darien and via GoToMeeting, on the following:

<u>Avenue.</u> Proposal to construct four (4) new columbariums within Spring Grove Cemetery, in conformance with Section 405(g) of the Zoning Regulations, and to perform related site development activities. The 0.38+/- acre subject property is located on the northwest side of Boston Post Road at its intersection with Hecker Avenue, and is shown on Assessor's Map #41 as Lot #19 in the R-1/3 Zone.

<u>Special Permit Application #244-A, Luiz G. Vier, 688 Boston Post Road.</u> Proposal to establish a new 430+/- square foot acupuncture and massage spa in a portion of the first floor space of the existing structure on the property. The 0.15+/- acre subject property is located on the south/east side of Boston Post Road approximately 420 feet south/east of its intersection with Brookside Road, and is shown on Assessor's Map #16 as Lot #99 in the Designed Business (DB) Zone.

Coastal Site Plan Review #351, Flood Damage Prevention Application #403, Sanford & Deborah Rich, 26 Beach Drive. Proposal to construct and install a new dock in the same location, consisting of a fixed pier, ramp, and platform, and to perform related site development activities within regulated areas. The 0.31+/- acre subject property is located on the west side of Beach Drive, at the southwest corner formed by its intersection with Outlook Drive, and is shown on Assessor's Map #53 as Lot #9 and is located in the R-1/2 Zone.

(S) James H. Rand Secretary 11/11 & 11/18

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